with the notice provision of section 87.2 or a statement that the contractor is not required to carry workers' compensation coverage. Notice of a policy's cancellation shall be provided to the labor commissioner by the insurance company.

- Sec. 11. Section 91C.3. subsection 1. Code 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. The name, principal place of business in this state, address, and telephone number of the contractor.
 - Sec. 12. Section 91C.4, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows: 91C.4 FEES

The labor commissioner shall prescribe the fee for registration, which fee shall not exceed twelve twenty-five dollars and fifty cents every two years. All fees collected shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

Sec. 13. Section 91C.5, Code 1989, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. The labor commissioner shall revoke a registration number when the contractor fails to maintain compliance with the conditions necessary to obtain a registration. The labor commissioner shall provide a fact-finding interview to assure that the contractor is not in compliance before revoking any registration. Hearings on revocation of registrations shall be held in accordance with section 91C.8.

Sec. 14. Section 91C.6, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows: 91C.6 RULES.

The labor commissioner shall adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 17A, determined to be reasonably necessary for the administration and enforcement of phasing in, administering, and enforcing the system of contractor registration established by this chapter.

Sec. 15. Section 103A.20, subsection 1, Code 1989, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

However, a permit, certificate, authorization, or other required document for the construction of a building shall not be issued to a contractor who is required and fails to obtain a contractor registration number pursuant to chapter 91C.

Sec. 16. Section 91.14, Code 1989, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 1137

BRIDGE BEAM CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS S.F. 2245

AN ACT relating to bids for certain specialized bridge construction projects.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 313.11 BIDS — SPECIALIZED CONSTRUCTION.

The department may contract for specialized construction work for beam straightening, beam replacement, and beam repair on bridges, without advertising for bids as required under section 313.10, if all of the following conditions are met:

1. The work is of a specialized type in which fewer than five contractors engage.

- 2. The department solicits written bids from all available contractors engaged in the specialized type of work.
 - 3. The work can be done for less than forty thousand dollars.

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CHAPTER 1138

VALUE-ADDED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE S.F. 2385

AN ACT establishing a new agricultural products and processes program and creating a state fund to support the program.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. CODIFICATION.

Sections 2 and 3 of this Act are created as a separate division of chapter 28.

- Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 28.111 VALUE-ADDED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
- 1. Contingent on the availability of funding for this program, the department may establish a value-added agricultural products and processes financial assistance program. The purpose of the program is to foster the development of new innovative products, practices, and processes related to agriculture through specialized financial or technical assistance to facilitate the acquisition of capital. Financial assistance may be in the form of a loan, loan guarantee, grant, or a combination of financial assistance.
- 2. A person is eligible to apply for assistance under this section, if the person satisfies the following requirements:
- a. The person is a resident of this state, or the person's principal place of business is located in this state.
- b. The person applies to the department of economic development in a manner and according to procedures required by the department.
- c. The person submits a business plan which demonstrates managerial and technical expertise.
- d. The person operates for profit or not-for-profit and under a single management, and either employs fewer than twenty employees or has an annual gross income of less than three million dollars computed as the average of the three preceding fiscal years.
- 3. The department of economic development may grant financial or technical assistance to a person eligible to receive assistance under this section, upon review of the person's application by the agricultural products advisory council as established in section 15.203. The council shall make recommendations to approve or disapprove an application to the department. The department shall consider the recommendations in granting or denying assistance. The department shall not approve an application for assistance under this section to refinance an existing loan, or to finance traditional agricultural operations. An application is eligible for consideration if the application seeks assistance for any of the following purposes:
- a. The development of value-added agricultural processes not commonly available in this state which are to be carried out by the person in this state.
- b. The development of an innovative or diversified agricultural product not commonly produced in this state which is to be carried out by the person in this state.